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FRAUD ALERT!

Saxonburg Borough Residents –

It has been brought to our attention that multiple scams are occurring around the area. These scams can come in many forms but share a common goal; to obtain money.

1. The first scam that we would like to bring to attention is the “grandparent scam.” For this scam, you will be receiving phone calls from someone who is crying. When you ask who they are, they will say they are a grandchild. During these calls, the individual state they were arrested for things such as a car accident and inform you they need you to pay their bail. The caller will instruct you not to tell anyone about the situation.
2. The second scam involves individuals coming to your home in attempts to gain your business for their Energy Company. They will ask you for your personal information, as well as to see bills and/or meter numbers. REMEMBER – Saxonburg Borough requires ALL solicitors to obtain a permit. Ask to see it!

Ways to avoid these scams

1. If you receive any suspicious phone calls, call your family/friends or the police department to verify details.
2. Do not give any personal information over the phone or in person.
3. Remember, if they ask you to send large amounts of cash via USPS, UPS or FEDEX – this is more than likely a scam.
4. Please do not send money without doing research into the situation.

We want Saxonburg Residents to remain safe from these scams. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call our station.